



Docket No.: 43890-519

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Katsumi MURAI, et al. :  
Serial No.: 09/864,283 : Group Art Unit: 2824  
Filed: May 25, 2001 : Examiner: Tran, Andrew Q  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY AND CONTROLLING METHOD THEREOF

**Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed on December 16, 2003, having a shortened statutory response period set to expire on March 16, 2004, a petition for a two month extension of time being submitted herewith, please amend the above identified application as follows: